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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy Director (Research)

SUBJECT: Relations with the DOD

      1.   As Chairman of the Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance, I can state that DIA participation in the COMOR has been a cut higher than the historic performance of the Army, Navy, and Air Force. [   ] the DIA representative, have been excellent negotiators and I feel have made a real contribution.

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      2.   As Special Group Action Officer, particularly with regard to DOD peripheral reconnaissance and SAC recon- naissance of Cuba, in general I have had good cooperation from the DIA and the JRC.

      3.   I regret to say that relations with the (S) NRO Office, and particularly with [   ] have not been good in regard to COMOR business. (S) NRO has and has had for quite some time a representative on the COMOR and has regularly received all documentation. However, he is not in a position to adequately serve COMOR's needs, not because he is incompetent, but because of limitations placed upon him. A particular case in point is that in July 1961 or thereabout, The Chairman was briefed on two or three new forms of the satellite photographic programs. At that time [   ] inquired what of the information I received would COMOR need. I responded that they needed the same information which I had received. It was only last Thursday, 17 January, that COMOR was finally briefed on a program which is to take place on 24 February and for which COMOR's requirements are needed for 1 February. We intend to meet
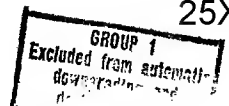
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this deadline but it is doubtful we will be able to do as well as we might had we had more time. Security was supposed to be the reason why COMOR could not have been briefed. I, and COMOR, reject this.
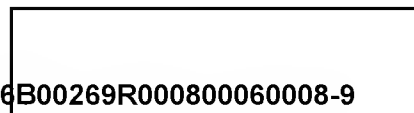
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